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1 AMENDMENT TO SENATE RESOLUTION 172

2 AMENDMENT NO. _____. Amend Senate Resolution 172 by replacing
3 everything after the heading with the following:

4 "WHEREAS, The United States Postal Service recently
5 announced plans to reduce delivery service from six days a week
6 to five days a week, beginning in August of 2013; and

7 WHEREAS, American businesses, organizations, and citizens
8 have depended on six-day mail service for the timely delivery
9 of important documents since 1912; and

10 WHEREAS, Eliminating Saturday delivery would affect most
11 Americans, but particularly rural residents, senior citizens,
12 small businesses, and working families who rely on the postal
13 service for receipt of their paychecks; and

14 WHEREAS, The reduction in service would inevitably create a

1 backlog of undelivered mail, as postal workers would have fewer
2 days in which to handle the same amount of mail; and

3 WHEREAS, This backlog would delay mail delivery or increase
4 the cost of postal service, as postal employees work overtime
5 hours to ensure timely delivery of the mail; therefore, be it

6 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL
7 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we support the decision
8 of the United States Congress, in recognition of the Postal
9 Service's duty to operate in the public interest, to require it
10 to maintain its current delivery schedule; and be it further

11 RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be
12 delivered to the United States Postmaster General and each
13 member of the Illinois congressional delegation.".